Exhibit F Plan Release Provisions

Definitions:

[Excluded Parties means, any holder of a Claim or Interest that objects to the Plan or otherwise supports any party that objects to the Plan, in any of such holder's capacities, provided, however, that the definition of Excluded Parties shall not include any current or former officer, director, principal, member, employee, or agent of the Debtors, in each case in their capacity as such.]

Exculpated Parties means collectively, and in each case in their capacities as such during the Chapter 11 Cases (a) the Debtors, (b) the Post-Effective Date Debtors, (c) FWE I, (d) the DIP Agent and DIP Lenders under the DIP Facility, (e) [the Prepetition FLFO Secured Parties 130, (f) the Consenting Creditors, (g) the Prepetition FLFO Collateral Agent, (h) the Prepetition FLTL Administrative Agent, (i) the Prepetition SLTL Agent, (j) the Creditors' Committee and the current and former members of the Creditors' Committee (solely in their capacities as such), (k) NewCo and all of its subsidiaries (including the Credit Bid Purchaser), (l) the Exit Facility Agents, (m) the Exit Facility Lenders, (n) the Second Lien Backstop Parties, (o) the ERO Backstop Parties, (p) the Apache PSA Parties, and (q) with respect to each of the foregoing Persons in clauses (a) through (p) each of their current and former affiliates, and each such Entity's and its current and former affiliates' current and former directors, managers, officers, equity holders (regardless of whether such interests are held directly or indirectly), predecessors, successors, and assigns, subsidiaries, and each of their current and former officers, members, managers, directors, equity holders (regardless of whether such interests are held directly or indirectly), principals, members, employees, agents, managed accounts or funds, management companies, fund advisors, investment advisors, advisory board members, financial advisors, partners (including both general and limited partners), attorneys, accountants, investment bankers, consultants, representatives and other professionals, such Persons' respective heirs, executors, estates, and nominees, in each case in their capacity as such, and any and all other persons or entities that may purport to assert any cause of action derivatively, by or through the foregoing entities[; provided, however, that notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, "Exculpated Parties" shall not include any Excluded Parties].

Released Parties means, collectively, (a) the Debtors, (b) the Post-Effective Date Debtors, (c) the DIP Agent and DIP Lenders under the DIP Facility, (d) [the Prepetition FLFO Secured Parties],³¹ (e) the Consenting Creditors, (f) the Prepetition FLFO Collateral Agent, (g) the Prepetition FLTL Administrative Agent, (h) the Prepetition SLTL Agent, (i) the Creditors' Committee and the current and former members of the Creditors' Committee (solely

³⁰ [NTD: subject to Prepetition FLFO Secured Parties consenting to the Plan and providing a written and binding commitment, by the Disclosure Statement hearing date, to provide the First Lien Exit Facility on the terms set forth in the First Lien Exit Facility Term Sheet or as otherwise agreed to by the Debtors, Required DIP Lenders, and Requisite FLTL Lenders.]

³¹ [NTD: subject to Prepetition FLFO Secured Parties consenting to the Plan and providing a written and binding commitment, by the Disclosure Statement hearing date, to provide the First Lien Exit Facility on the terms set forth in the First Lien Exit Facility Term Sheet or as otherwise agreed to by the Debtors, Required DIP Lenders, and Requisite FLTL Lenders.]

in their capacities as such), (j) NewCo and all of its subsidiaries (including the Credit Bid Purchaser), (k) the Exit Facility Agents, (l) the Exit Facility Lenders, (m) the Second Lien Backstop Parties, (n) the ERO Backstop Parties, (o) the Apache PSA Parties, and (p) with respect to each of the foregoing Persons in clauses (a) through (o), each of their current and former affiliates, and each such Entity's and its current and former affiliates' current and former directors, managers, officers, equity holders (regardless of whether such interests are held directly or indirectly), predecessors, successors, and assigns, subsidiaries, and each of their current and former officers, members, managers, directors, equity holders (regardless of whether such interests are held directly or indirectly), principals, members, employees, agents, managed accounts or funds, management companies, fund advisors, investment advisors, advisory board members, financial advisors, partners (including both general and limited partners), attorneys, accountants, investment bankers, consultants, representatives and other professionals, such Persons' respective heirs, executors, estates, and nominees, in each case in their capacity as such, and any and all other persons or entities that may purport to assert any cause of action derivatively, by or through the foregoing entities[; provided, however, that notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, "Released Parties" shall not include any Excluded Parties].

Releasing Parties means collectively, (a) the holders of all Claims or Interests that vote to accept the Plan, (b) the holders of all Claims or Interests whose vote to accept or reject the Plan is solicited but that do not vote either to accept or to reject the Plan, (c) the holders of all Claims or Interests that vote, or are deemed, to reject the Plan but do not opt out of granting the releases set forth herein, (d) the holders of all Claims and Interests that were given notice of the opportunity to opt out of granting the releases set forth herein but did not opt out, and (e) the Released Parties (even if such Released Party purports to opt out of the releases set forth herein).

Provisions:

10.6 Plan Injunction.

Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or in the Confirmation Order, (a) from and after the Effective Date, all Persons who have held, hold, or may hold Claims or Interests, and other parties in interest, along with their respective present or former employees, agents, officers, directors, principals, and affiliates, are, with respect to any such Claim or Interest, permanently enjoined after the entry of the Confirmation Order from: (i) commencing, conducting, or continuing in any manner, directly or indirectly, any suit, action, or other proceeding of any kind (including any proceeding in a judicial, arbitral, administrative, or other forum) against or affecting, directly or indirectly, a Debtor, a Post-Effective Date Debtor, or an Estate or the property of any of the foregoing, or any direct or indirect transferee of any property of, or direct or indirect successor in interest to, any of the foregoing Persons mentioned in this subsection (i) or any property of any such transferee or successor; (ii) enforcing, levying, attaching (including any prejudgment attachment), collecting, or otherwise recovering in any manner or by any means, whether directly or indirectly, any judgment, award, decree, or order against a Debtor, a Post-Effective Date Debtor, or an Estate or its property, or any direct or indirect transferee of any property of, or direct or indirect successor in interest to, any of the foregoing Persons mentioned in this subsection (ii) or any property of any such transferee or successor; (iii) creating, perfecting, or otherwise enforcing in any manner, directly or indirectly,

any encumbrance of any kind against a Debtor, a Post-Effective Date Debtor, or an Estate or any of its property, or any direct or indirect transferee of any property of, or successor in interest to, any of the foregoing Persons mentioned in this subsection (iii) or any property of any such transferee or successor; (iv) acting or proceeding in any manner, in any place whatsoever, that does not conform to or comply with the provisions of the Plan to the full extent permitted by applicable law; and (v) commencing or continuing, in any manner or in any place, any action that does not comply with or is inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan; *provided*, that nothing contained in the Plan shall preclude such Persons who have held, hold, or may hold Claims against, or Interests in, a Debtor, a Post-Effective Date Debtor, or an Estate from exercising their rights and remedies, or obtaining benefits, pursuant to and consistent with the terms of the Plan.

(b) By accepting distributions pursuant to the Plan, each holder of an Allowed Claim or Interest shall be deemed to have affirmatively and specifically consented to be bound by the Plan, including the injunctions set forth in Section 10.6 of the Plan.

10.7 Releases.

RELEASES BY THE DEBTORS. AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE, (a) EXCEPT FOR THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES THAT REMAIN IN EFFECT FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE TO ENFORCE THE PLAN, AND AFTER CONFIRMATION ORDER, THE OBLIGATIONS CONTEMPLATED BY DOCUMENTS IN THE PLAN SUPPLEMENT, THE APACHE DEFINITIVE DOCUMENTS, ANY ADDITIONAL PREDECESSOR AGREEMENT DOCUMENTS, THE CREDIT BID PURCHASE AGREEMENT, THE FIRST LIEN EXIT FACILITY COMMITMENT LETTER, THE SECOND LIEN BACKSTOP COMMITMENT LETTER, THE EQUITY RIGHTS OFFERING, THE ERO BACKSTOP AGREEMENT, THE **FACILITY** DOCUMENTS, **AND** RESTRUCTURING **EXIT** THE TRANSACTIONS, ON AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE, THE RELEASED WILL BE **DEEMED** CONCLUSIVELY, ABSOLUTELY, **PARTIES** UNCONDITIONALLY, IRREVOCABLY, **AND FOREVER** RELEASED DISCHARGED, BY THE DEBTORS, THE POST-EFFECTIVE DATE DEBTORS, AND THE ESTATES, IN EACH CASE ON BEHALF OF THEMSELVES AND THEIR RESPECTIVE SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, AND REPRESENTATIVES AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS THAT MAY PURPORT TO ASSERT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION DERIVATIVELY, BY OR THROUGH THE FOREGOING PERSONS, FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, INTERESTS, OBLIGATIONS, SUITS, JUDGMENTS, DAMAGES, DEMANDS, DEBTS, RIGHTS, AND CAUSES OF ACTION, LOSSES, REMEDIES, OR LIABILITIES WHATSOEVER (INCLUDING ANY DERIVATIVE CLAIMS, ASSERTED OR ASSERTABLE ON BEHALF OF THE DEBTORS, THE POST-EFFECTIVE DATE DEBTORS, OR THE ESTATES), WHETHER LIQUIDATED OR UNLIQUIDATED, FIXED OR CONTINGENT, MATURED OR UNMATURED, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, FORESEEN OR UNFORESEEN, ACCRUED OR UNACCRUED, EXISTING OR HEREINAFTER ARISING, WHETHER IN LAW OR EQUITY, WHETHER SOUNDING IN TORT OR CONTRACT, WHETHER ARISING UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE STATUTORY OR COMMON LAW, OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE INTERNATIONAL, FOREIGN, OR DOMESTIC LAW, STATUTE, REGULATION, TREATY, RIGHT, DUTY, REQUIREMENTS OR

OTHERWISE THAT THE DEBTORS, THE POST-EFFECTIVE DATE DEBTORS, THE ESTATES, OR THEIR AFFILIATES WOULD HAVE BEEN LEGALLY ENTITLED TO THEIR **OWN RIGHT** (WHETHER **INDIVIDUALLY** IN COLLECTIVELY) OR ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER OF ANY CLAIM OR INTEREST OR OTHER PERSON, BASED ON OR RELATING TO, OR IN ANY MANNER ARISING FROM, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, THE DEBTORS, THE CHAPTER 11 CASES, THE RESTRUCTURING, THE PURCHASE, SALE, OR RESCISSION OF THE PURCHASE OR SALE OF ANY SECURITY OF THE DEBTORS OR THE POST-EFFECTIVE DATE DEBTORS, THE SUBJECT MATTER OF, OR THE TRANSACTIONS OR EVENTS GIVING RISE TO, ANY CLAIM OR INTEREST THAT TREATED IN THE PLAN, THE **BUSINESS** OR CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN ANY DEBTOR AND ANY RELEASED PARTY, THE RESTRUCTURING OF CLAIMS AND INTERESTS BEFORE OR DURING THE CHAPTER 11 CASES, THE NEGOTIATION, FORMULATION, PREPARATION, OR CONSUMMATION OF THE PLAN, THE DOCUMENTS IN THE PLAN SUPPLEMENT, THE CREDIT BID PURCHASE AGREEMENT, THE EXIT FACILITY DOCUMENTS, THE APACHE DEFINITIVE DOCUMENTS, ANY ADDITIONAL PREDECESSOR AGREEMENT DOCUMENTS, THE FIRST LIEN EXIT FACILITY COMMITMENT LETTER, THE SECOND LIEN BACKSTOP COMMITMENT LETTER, THE EQUITY RIGHTS OFFERING, THE ERO BACKSTOP AGREEMENT, DECOMMISSIONING AGREEMENT, OR RELATED AGREEMENTS. INSTRUMENTS, OR OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATING THERETO, OR THE SOLICITATION OF VOTES WITH RESPECT TO THE PLAN, IN ALL CASES BASED UPON ANY ACT OR OMISSION, TRANSACTION, AGREEMENT, EVENT, OR OTHER OCCURRENCE TAKING PLACE ON OR BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE.

ENTRY OF THE CONFIRMATION ORDER BY THE BANKRUPTCY COURT SHALL CONSTITUTE THE BANKRUPTCY COURT'S APPROVAL, PURSUANT TO BANKRUPTCY RULE 9019, OF THE RELEASES IN SECTION 10.7(a) OF THE PLAN (the "DEBTOR RELEASES"), WHICH INCLUDES BY REFERENCE EACH OF THE RELATED PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS UNDER THE PLAN, AND FURTHER, SHALL CONSTITUTE THE BANKRUPTCY COURT'S FINDING THAT THE DEBTOR RELEASES ARE: (I) IN EXCHANGE FOR THE GOOD, VALUABLE AND ADEOUATE CONSIDERATION PROVIDED BY THE RELEASED PARTIES. (II) ESSENTIAL TO THE CONFIRMATION OF THE PLAN, (III) A GOOD FAITH SETTLEMENT AND COMPROMISE OF THE RELEASED CLAIMS RELEASED BY THE DEBTORS, THE POST-EFFECTIVE DATE DEBTORS AND THE ESTATES, (IV) IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE DEBTORS, THE ESTATES AND ALL HOLDERS OF CLAIMS AND INTERESTS, (IV) FAIR, EQUITABLE AND REASONABLE, (V) GIVEN AND MADE AFTER DUE NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING. AND (VII) A BAR TO ANY OF THE DEBTORS, THE POST-EFFECTIVE DATE DEBTORS, OR THE ESTATES ASSERTING ANY CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION RELEASED PURSUANT TO THE DEBTOR RELEASE.

(b) <u>RELEASES BY HOLDERS OF CLAIMS AND INTERESTS</u>. AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE, EXCEPT FOR THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES THAT REMAIN IN EFFECT FROM AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE TO ENFORCE

THE PLAN, THE CONFIRMATION ORDER, THE OBLIGATIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THE DOCUMENTS IN THE PLAN SUPPLEMENT, THE APACHE DEFINITIVE DOCUMENTS, ANY ADDITIONAL PREDECESSOR AGREEMENT DOCUMENTS, THE FIRST LIEN EXIT FACILITY COMMITMENT LETTER, THE CREDIT BID PURCHASE AGREEMENT, THE SECOND LIEN BACKSTOP COMMITMENT LETTER, THE EQUITY RIGHTS OFFERING, THE ERO BACKSTOP AGREEMENT, **FACILITY** DOCUMENTS, **AND** THE RESTRUCTURING TRANSACTIONS, ON AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE, THE RELEASED BE **PARTIES** WILL **DEEMED** CONCLUSIVELY. ABSOLUTELY. UNCONDITIONALLY, IRREVOCABLY, **AND FOREVER** RELEASED DISCHARGED BY THE RELEASING PARTIES, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, AS SUCH LAW MAY BE EXTENDED SUBSEQUENT TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE BY THE RELEASING PARTIES, FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AND CAUSES OF ACTION WHATSOEVER (INCLUDING ANY DERIVATIVE CLAIMS, ASSERTED OR ASSERTABLE ON BEHALF OF THE DEBTORS, THE POST-EFFECTIVE DATE DEBTORS, OR THEIR ESTATES, INCLUDING ANY CAUSES OF ACTION ARISING UNDER CHAPTER 5 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE), WHETHER LIQUIDATED OR UNLIQUIDATED, FIXED OR CONTINGENT, MATURED OR UNMATURED, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, FORESEEN OR UNFORESEEN, ASSERTED OR UNASSERTED, ACCRUED OR UNACRUED, EXISTING OR HEREINAFTER ARISING, IN LAW, EQUITY, CONTRACT, TORT, OR OTHERWISE BY STATUTE, WHETHER ARISING UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE, STATUTORY OR COMMON LAW, VIOLATIONS OF FEDERAL OR STATE SECURITIES LAWS, OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE INTERNATIONAL, FOREIGN, OR DOMESTIC LAW, RULE STATUTE, REGULATION, TREATY, RIGHT, DUTY, REQUIREMENT OR OTHERWISE, THAT THE RELEASING PARTIES OR THEIR ESTATES, AFFILIATES, HEIRS, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, MANAGERS, ACCOUNTANTS, ATTORNEYS, REPRESENTATIVES, CONSULTANTS, AGENTS, AND ANY OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING UNDER OR THROUGH THEM WOULD HAVE BEEN LEGALLY ENTITLED TO ASSERT IN THEIR OWN RIGHT (WHETHER INDIVIDUALLY OR COLLECTIVELY) OR ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER OF ANY CLAIM OR INTEREST OR OTHER PERSON, BASED ON OR RELATING TO, OR IN ANY MANNER ARISING FROM, IN WHOLE OR IN PART. THE DEBTORS. THE POST-EFFECTIVE DATE DEBTORS. OR THEIR ESTATES, THE CHAPTER 11 CASES, THE RESTRUCTURING, THE PURCHASE, SALE, OR RESCISSION OF THE PURCHASE OR SALE OF ANY SECURITY OF THE DEBTORS OR THE POST-EFFECTIVE DATE DEBTORS, THE SUBJECT MATTER OF, OR THE TRANSACTIONS OR EVENTS GIVING RISE TO, ANY CLAIM OR INTEREST THAT IS TREATED IN THE PLAN, THE BUSINESS OR CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS OR INTERACTIONS BETWEEN ANY DEBTOR AND ANY RELEASED PARTY, THE RESTRUCTURING, THE RESTRUCTURING OF ANY CLAIMS OR INTERESTS BEFORE OR DURING THE CHAPTER 11 CASES, THE NEGOTIATION, FORMULATION, PREPARATION, OR CONSUMMATION OF THE PLAN. THE DOCUMENTS IN THE PLAN SUPPLEMENT. THE CREDIT BID PURCHASE AGREEMENT, THE EXIT FACILITY DOCUMENTS, THE APACHE DEFINITIVE DOCUMENTS, ANY ADDITIONAL PREDECESSOR AGREEMENT

DOCUMENTS, THE FIRST LIEN EXIT FACILITY COMMITMENT LETTER, THE SECOND LIEN BACKSTOP COMMITMENT LETTER, THE EQUITY RIGHTS OFFERING, THE ERO BACKSTOP AGREEMENT, THE DECOMMISSIONING AGREEMENT OR RELATED AGREEMENTS, INSTRUMENTS, OR OTHER DOCUMENTS, RELATING THERETO, OR THE SOLICITATION OF VOTES WITH RESPECT TO THE PLAN, IN ALL CASES BASED UPON ANY ACT OR OMISSION, TRANSACTION, AGREEMENT, EVENT, OR OTHER OCCURRENCES TAKING PLACE ON OR BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE.

ENTRY OF THE CONFIRMATION ORDER BY THE BANKRUPTCY COURT SHALL CONSTITUTE THE BANKRUPTCY COURT'S APPROVAL, PURSUANT TO BANKRUPTCY RULE 9019, OF THE RELEASES IN SECTION 10.7(B) OF THE PLAN (THE "THIRD-PARTY RELEASE"), WHICH INCLUDES, BY REFERENCE, EACH OF THE RELATED PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS UNDER THE PLAN, AND, FURTHERMORE. SHALL CONSTITUTE THE BANKRUPTCY COURT'S FINDING THAT THE THIRD-PARTY RELEASE IS (I) CONSENSUAL, (II) ESSENTIAL TO THE CONFIRMATION OF THE PLAN. (III) GIVEN IN EXCHANGE FOR THE GOOD. VALUABLE AND ADEQUATE CONSIDERATION PROVIDED BY THE RELEASED PARTIES, (IV) A GOOD FAITH SETTLEMENT AND COMPROMISE OF THE CLAIMS RELEASED BY THE THIRD-PARTY RELEASE, (V) IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE DEBTORS AND THEIR ESTATES, (VI) FAIR, EQUITABLE AND REASONABLE, (VII) GIVEN AND MADE AFTER DUE NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING, AND (VIII) A BAR TO ANY OF THE RELEASING PARTIES ASSERTING ANY CLAIM OR CAUSE OF ACTION RELEASED PURSUANT TO THE THIRD-PARTY RELEASE.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY IN THIS SECTION 10.7(B) OF THE PLAN, NO PARTY SHALL BE RELEASED TO THE EXTENT SUCH RELEASE WOULD IMPAIR THE DECOMMISSIONING SECURITY OR THE APACHE PSA PARTIES' ABILITY TO DRAW ON THE DECOMMISSIONING SECURITY, IN ANY RESPECT. FOR THE AVOIDANCE OF DOUBT, ANY AND ALL CLAIMS THE APACHE PSA PARTIES MAY HAVE AGAINST FWE I RELATED TO THE DECOMMISSIONING AGREEMENT ARISING POST-EFFECTIVE DATE AND ANY SECURITY OBTAINED, PROVIDED, OR PLEDGED IN CONNECTION WITH THE DECOMMISSIONING AGREEMENT WILL BE PRESERVED AND ANY AND ALL CLAIMS FWE I MAY HAVE AGAINST THE APACHE PSA PARTIES RELATED TO THE DECOMMISSIONING AGREEMENT ARISING POST-EFFECTIVE DATE AND THE DECOMMISSIONING SECURITY WILL BE PRESERVED.

(c) Release of Liens. Except as otherwise specifically provided in the Plan (including all Liens securing the FLFO Claims or the First Lien Exit Facility) or in any contract, instrument, release, or other agreement or document contemplated under or executed in connection with the Plan, on the Effective Date and concurrently with the applicable distributions made pursuant to the Plan and, in the case of a Secured Claim, satisfaction in full of the portion of the Secured Claim that is secured and Allowed as of the Effective Date, all mortgages, deeds of trust, Liens, pledges, or other security interests against any property of the estates shall be fully released and discharged, and all of the

right, title, and interest of any holder of such mortgages, deeds of trust, Liens, pledges, or other security interests shall revert to the Post-Effective Date Debtors and their successors and assigns, in each case, without any further approval or order of the Bankruptcy Court and without any action or filing being required to be made by the Debtors. For the avoidance of doubt, all liens and encumbrances on, interests in, and claims against the Legacy Apache Properties (as defined in the Apache Term Sheet) and the other FWE I Assets (as defined in Part A of Schedule I of the Plan of Merger) held by the Prepetition FLFO Secured Parties, Prepetition FLTL Lenders, and Prepetition SLTL Lenders shall be released, discharged, and of no further force or effect as of the Effective Date.

10.8 Exculpation.

TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, EXCEPT FOR THE RIGHTS THAT REMAIN IN EFFECT FROM AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE TO ENFORCE THE PLAN, THE CONFIRMATION ORDER AND THE OBLIGATIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THE DOCUMENTS IN THE PLAN SUPPLEMENT, THE APACHE DEFINITIVE DOCUMENTS, ANY ADDITIONAL PREDECESSOR AGREEMENT DOCUMENTS, THE FIRST LIEN EXIT FACILITY COMMITMENT LETTER, THE CREDIT BID PURCHASE AGREEMENT, THE SECOND LIEN BACKSTOP COMMITMENT LETTER, THE EXIT FACILITY DOCUMENTS, THE EQUITY RIGHTS OFFERING, THE ERO BACKSTOP AGREEMENT, AND THE RESTRUCTURING TRANSACTIONS, NO EXCULPATED PARTY WILL HAVE OR INCUR, AND EACH EXCULPATED PARTY WILL BE RELEASED AND EXCULPATED FROM, ANY CLAIM, OBLIGATION, SUIT, JUDGMENT, DAMAGE, DEMAND, DEBT, RIGHT, REMEDY LOSS, LIABILITY AND CAUSE OF ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH OR ARISING OUT OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CHAPTER 11 CASES; THE NEGOTIATION AND PURSUIT OF THE DIP FACILITY, THE CREDIT BID PURCHASE AGREEMENT, THE NEW MONEY INVESTMENT, THE EXIT FACILITY DOCUMENTS, THE FIRST LIEN EXIT FACILITY COMMITMENT LETTER, THE SECOND LIEN BACKSTOP COMMITMENT LETTER, THE EQUITY RIGHTS OFFERING, THE ERO BACKSTOP AGREEMENT, THE APACHE DEFINITIVE DOCUMENTS, ANY ADDITIONAL PREDECESSOR AGREEMENT DOCUMENTS, THE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT, THE RESTRUCTURING, THE PLAN (INCLUDING THE PLAN SUPPLEMENT), AND ALL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE FOREGOING, OR THE SOLICITATION OF VOTES FOR, OR CONFIRMATION OF, THE PLAN; THE FUNDING OF THE PLAN; THE OCCURRENCE OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE; THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PLAN OR THE PROPERTY TO BE DISTRIBUTED UNDER THE PLAN; THE ISSUANCE OF SECURITIES UNDER OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE PLAN; THE PURCHASE, SALE, OR RESCISSION OF THE PURCHASE OR SALE OF ANY SECURITY OF THE DEBTORS OR THE POST-EFFECTIVE DATE DEBTORS; OR THE TRANSACTIONS IN FURTHERANCE OF ANY OF THE FOREGOING; OTHER THAN CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO ANY ACT OR OMISSION OF AN EXCULPATED PARTY THAT CONSTITUTES INTENTIONAL FRAUD, WILLFUL MISCONDUCT, OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE AS DETERMINED BY A FINAL ORDER, BUT IN ALL RESPECTS SUCH PERSONS WILL BE ENTITLED TO REASONABLY RELY UPON THE

OF COUNSEL WITH RESPECT TO THEIR ADVICE **DUTIES** RESPONSIBILITIES PURSUANT TO THE PLAN. THE EXCULPATED PARTIES HAVE ACTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE WITH REGARD TO THE SOLICITATION OF THE PLAN AND, THEREFORE, ARE NOT, AND ON ACCOUNT OF SUCH DISTRIBUTIONS WILL NOT BE, LIABLE AT ANY TIME FOR THE VIOLATION OF ANY APPLICABLE LAW, RULE, OR REGULATION GOVERNING THE SOLICITATION OF ACCEPTANCES OR REJECTIONS OF THE PLAN OR SUCH DISTRIBUTIONS MADE PURSUANT TO THE PLAN. THE EXCULPATION WILL BE IN ADDITION TO, AND NOT IN LIMITATION OF, ALL OTHER RELEASES, INDEMNITIES, EXCULPATIONS, AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE LAW OR RULES PROTECTING SUCH EXCULPATED PARTIES FROM LIABILITY.

10.9 INJUNCTION RELATED TO RELEASES AND EXCULPATION.

The Confirmation Order shall permanently enjoin the commencement or prosecution by any Person or entity, whether directly, derivatively, or otherwise, of any Claims, obligations, suits, judgments, damages, demands, debts, rights, Causes of Action, losses, or liabilities released pursuant to the Plan, including the claims, obligations, suits, judgments, damages, demands, debts, rights, Causes of Action, and liabilities released or exculpated in the Plan or the Confirmation

Order.